

DETAILED ACTION

This is in response to RCE and IDS filed on 7/25/11 in which claims 1-21 and 23-32 are pending. The applicant's RCE has been fully considered and the IDS has been entered therefore this case is in condition for allowance. In addition, the pending claims have been renumbered as 1-10, 13-20, 22-26, 21, 27, 11-12 and 28-31, respectively.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record fail to anticipate or render obvious the following recited features: combining a first prediction of a current block with a second prediction of a current block; wherein the first prediction of the current block is intra prediction and the second prediction of the current block is inter prediction as recited in all the independent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EMMANUEL BAYARD whose telephone number is (571)272-3016. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (7:Am-4:30PM) Alternate Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh Fan can be reached on 571 272 3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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